

# The Mark of the Beast



**Revelation 13:16-18**

- Review – “The Signs of the Times” – 2 Thess. 2:1-4
- Someone has deceived the believers into thinking they were already living in the day of the Lord.
- Paul had to calm their hearts and stabilize their faith that they were not in the day of the Lord.
- I had to do this teaching because false teachers are saying that the vaccine for Covid was the “mark of the beast.”
- Three events must occur before the antichrist appears.
  1. The “mystery of iniquity” – a secret of evil powers throughout the course of human history.
  2. The “apostasy” – the falling away.
  3. The One who restrains will be taken out of the way.
- Lesson #2 – “The Antichrist is Coming”
  - A. The fact of the antichrist.
  - B. The titles of antichrist – “man of sin,” “the lawless one”
  - C. Contrast to Jesus Christ – Jesus is “the mystery of Godliness: God, manifested in the flesh; the antichrist is “the mystery of iniquity” Satan manifested in the flesh.

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- As born-again believers, we have been sealed by the Holy Spirit (2 Tim. 2:19).
- The antichrist will be the “The Answer Man.”
  - He will conquer the world and create one system.
    1. One Political system.
    2. One Economy system.
    3. One World religion – a false religion.
- There are two beasts in Revelation 13 – the antichrist, and the false prophet (Rev. 18:8).
- The false prophet appears as a man of peace, but he is the worship leader of the antichrist.

- The false prophet has supernatural authority in the presence of the antichrist to do miracles, signs, and wonders.
- The false prophet will cause the entire world to receive the “mark of the beast.”
- Mark – to engrave or an impression – a mark cut in.
- The antichrist and the false prophet will be destroyed (2 Thess. 2:8; Rev. 19:11-20).